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Atty Docket No: 407E-914026US

Client Ref: 92-005-C

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Daniel J. Pinkel; Joe W. Gray; Anne

Kallioniemi; Olli-Pekka Kallioniemi; Frederic

Waldman

Application No.: 09/912,818

Filed: 7/24/2001

For: Detection of Chromosomal

Abnormalities Associated with Breast Cancer

Examiner: Fredman, J.

Art Unit: 1637

AMENDMENT/RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 19, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. The following document(s) is/are enclosed herewith:

1) A petition to extend the period for response by 1 month.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.